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Applicant:

Douglas P. Brown et al.

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10150 (NCR.0063US)

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RESPONSE TO "NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)"

Dear Sir:

Two separate Responses to Notice to File Missing Parts were filed with the U.S. Patent Office in this case. On January 8, 2002 the Declaration with Power of Attorney executed by Manjula Koppuravuri was filed, and on January 23, 2002, formal drawings were submitted, both in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts. Copies of the Responses, along with stamped postcards indicating receipt by the U.S. Patent Office, are submitted herewith.

The missing declaration with Manjula Koppuravuri's signature was submitted on January 8, 2002, well within the two-month deadline of the original Notice. The formal drawings were submitted on January 23, 2002, with the appropriate authorization to charge the deposit account for the one-month extension of time fee.

Therefore, all items requested by the Notice of Missing Parts mailed on November 21, 2001 have been submitted in this case.

It is respectfully requested that the Notice of Incomplete Reply dated March 18, 2002 be withdrawn. Please apply any charges and/or credits to Deposit Account 50-1673 (10150). A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Date of Deposit: April 1, 2002

I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington D 2023.

Dawn L. Thomas

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Apr. 1, 2012

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 02/13/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 11/21/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:
 Manjula Koppuravuni

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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RECEIVED IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No.: NRC.0063US (10150)

Date: January 8, 2002

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The Patent and Trademark Office date stamp sets forth the receipt date of the following documents in the below

Applicant(s):

DOUGLAS P. BROWN, JEETENDRA CHAWARE AND MANJULA KOPPURAVURI

Serial No.:

Filing Date:

October 12, 2001

Title:

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- 1. Response To Notice To File Missing Parts (In Duplicate) (no check);
- 2. Copy Of Notice To File Missing Parts;
- 3. Declaration (Signed By Koppuravuri);
- 4. Assignment (Signed By Koppuravuri);
- 5. Assignment Recordation Form Coversheet (In Duplicate) (no check); and 6. Postcard.



Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application Docket No. Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)(Large Entity) 10150 (NRC0063US) In Re Application Of: Douglas P. Brown, Jeetendra Chaware and Manjula Koppuravuri Serial No. Filing Date · Examiner **Group Art Unit** 09/977.038 October 12, 2001 2171 Invention Selection in a Database System TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: **Box Missing Parts** This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on November 21, 2001 Date Enclosed herewith for filing are the following: A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). (REQUIRED) An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date. ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date. ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. ☑ Other (list): Assignment Recordation Form Coversheet

Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)(Large Entity)

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Lisa O'Sullivan

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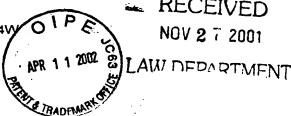
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Date Mailed: 11/21/2001

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The signature of the following inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration: Manjula Koppuravuri
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE



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The Patent and Trademark Office date stamp sets forth the receipt date (or both the receive date and the serial no.) of a patent application identified as follows:

Applicant(s):

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- 2. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application
- 3. Petition for Extension of Time
- 4. 44 Sheets of Formal Drawings, Figs. 1-47
- 5. Postcard

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RESPONSE TO "NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION"

Dear Sir:

A copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed for this application on November 21, 2001, is attached.

In response to the requirements of the Notice, applicant submits herewith 44 sheets of drawings. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account 50-1673 (10150). A duplicate of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner for Patents, Washington DC 20231. Dawn L. Thomas